

Remarks/Arguments

This Amendment After Final is prepared in response to the Final Action dated January 7, 2009 in relation to the above-identified patent application. In that Action, claims 1, 3, and 4 were allowed, and claim 6 was rejected.

Pursuant to telephone discussions held by Jon M. Dickinson with the Examiner on March 25, 2009, the Examiner recommended the formal filing of this Amendment After Final, which the Examiner agreed that he would enter, canceling claim 6 without prejudice, and clearing the way for allowance of the remaining claims in this application. Accordingly, with entry of the present Amendment, favorable reconsideration of this application, and formal allowance of the remaining claims in this case, are respectfully solicited. If the Examiner has any questions regarding the amendment or remarks, the Examiner is invited to contact Attorney-of-Record Jon M. Dickinson, Esq., at 503-504-2271.

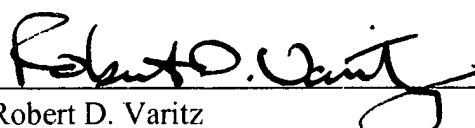
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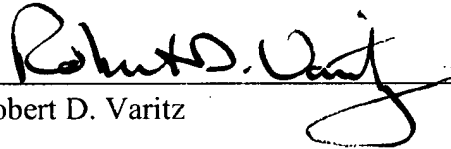
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